

SAVE THE DATE!

Black Los Angeles County Client Coalition (BLACCC)

8th Annual

COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH WELLNESS CULTURAL FORUM

“Keeping Hope Alive” Planting Seeds of Hope Through: Literacy,
Education, Employment and Entrepreneurship

★ *Special Tribute to “Friends We’ve Lost Along The Way” (2014)*

Roberta (Nadra) Lauderdale, BLACCC Graphic Advisor/Advocate/Consultant

Meshach Taylor, Actor/Activist

Dr. Dennis O’Brien, LACCC (Former) Chair

at

The California African American Museum

Conference Room H

600 State Drive, Exposition Park, Los Angeles, CA 90037

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**“World renowned visual artist Synthia SAINT JAMES
Celebrates her 45th anniversary as a professional artist :
Art Display “The Dream (MLK) and ‘JUNETEENTH’
Promotional Print Campaign for BLACCC”**

SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 28, 2015

10 A.M - 4 P.M.

Parking at 39th & Figueroa Street. Parking passes available upon request.
FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED BASIS: Parking is \$10 per vehicle without pass.

For more information & RSVP
please call:

OSBEE SANGSTER (323) 684-4390

FREE ADMISSION – LIMITED SEATING

Early-bird Continental Breakfast & Lunch Provided

Experience
Interactive
Presenters
Panelist Q&A

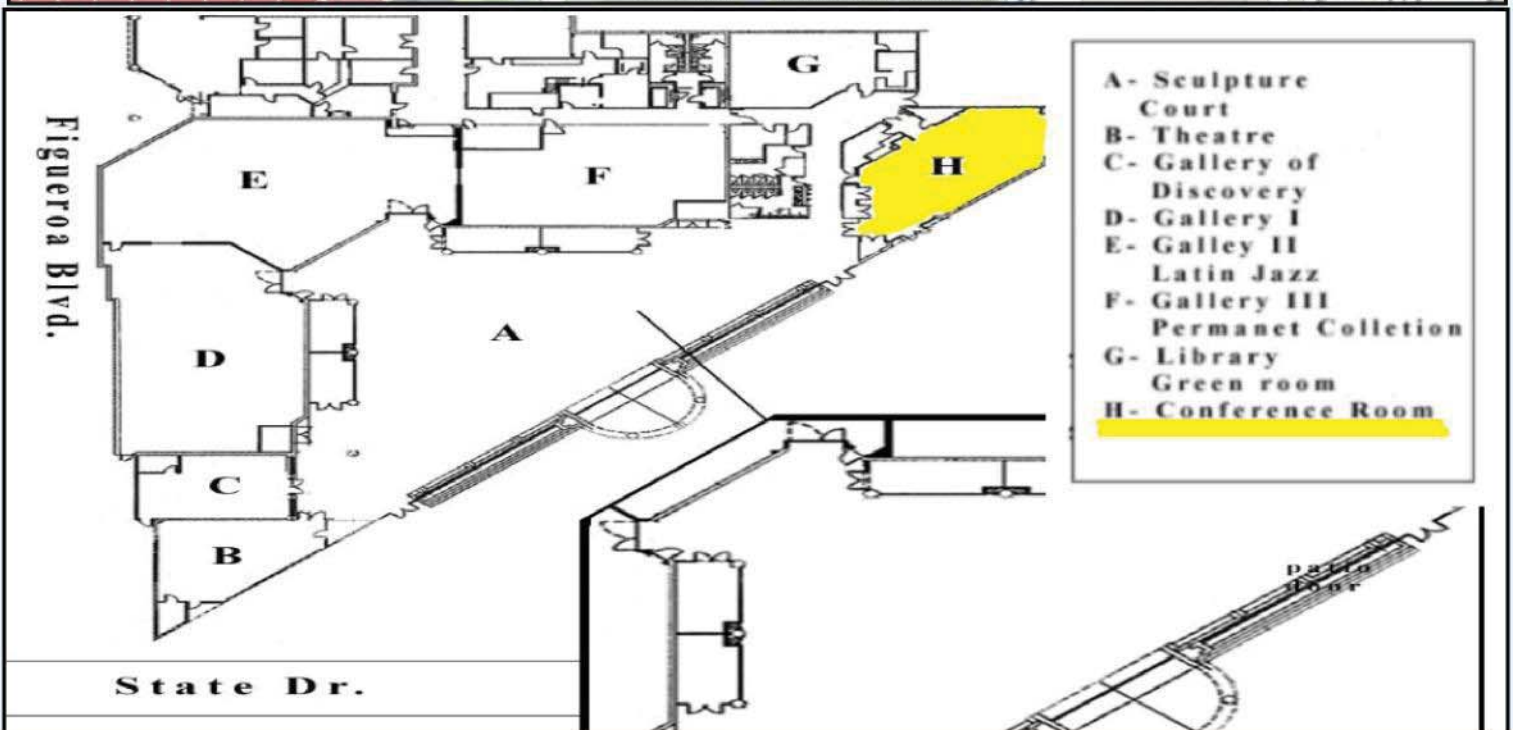
Presentations
Speakers
Multi-Panel
Exhibitors and
Vendors

“Bringing Entertainment To Our Schools”



BLACCC's Musical Tribute by “Forward Falling Band” Honoring Friends We’ve Lost Along The Way

“FORWARD FALLING”



The California African American Museum (CAAM) is located in Exposition Park at the corner of Figueroa Street and Exposition Boulevard, west of the 110 (Harbor) Freeway. The Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum and Sports Arena are adjacent to CAAM **Conference Room (H)**.

For public transportation routes and schedules, please contact the Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA). Their web site is located at www.mta.net. You can also call for route information and general service questions at 1.800.COMMUTE (266.6883)

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Membership Application BLACCC

Name: _____

Address: _____

Tel: _____

Email: _____

Areas of interest:

**Optional: Please mark the following
special needs that you may have:**

_____ Mental Health Services

_____ Housing

_____ Disability

_____ Substance abuse

_____ Adults

_____ Older adults

_____ TAY - Transitional Age Youth (16-25)

_____ HIV/AIDS

_____ LBGTQ (Lesbian, Bisexual, Gay,

_____ Trans-sexual, Queer)

_____ Legal Issues

_____ Other – Specify _____

Please mail this application to:
BLACCC, Inc. Headquarters
550 S. Vermont Ave., 5th Floor, Suite 502
Los Angeles, CA 90020

Mission Statement

The **Black Los Angeles County Client Coalition, Inc. (BLACCC)** is a client controlled, client run 501(c) (3) community-based coalition. Our mission is to improve and secure the quality of life, leading to the physical, mental health recovery and the wellness of African American clients.

Vision

- To provide literacy, education and advocacy regarding the mental health care disparities that occur, particularly in the Los Angeles County African American communities.
- To be accountable, responsive and committed to reducing stigma associated with mental illness by educating the public and continuing to educate our members in the areas of leadership, advocacy, mental health and policy making issues.
- To develop an effective self-help mental health peer advocacy network to address the needs of African American mental health consumers.

BLACK LOS ANGELES COUNTY CLIENT COALITION, INC



"Juneteenth" by Synthia SAINT JAMES

This is our hope. This is the faith, with this faith we will be able to hew out of the mountain of despair a stone of hope. With this faith we will be able to transform the jangling discords of our nation into a beautiful symphony of brotherhood. With this faith we will be able to work together, pray together, and struggle together, stand up for freedom together, knowing that we will be free one day."

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

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BLACK LOS ANGELES COUNTY CLIENT COALITION, INC. (BLACCC)

A SOCIAL ACTION &
ADVOCACY COALITION

For
MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE CONSUMERS AND OTHER
PERSONS INTERESTED IN MENTAL HEALTH
SERVICES AND RESOURCES

Membership

Any past or present mental health service consumers, stakeholders or other interested persons can become a member of BLACCC by attending our monthly meeting held on *the second Wednesday of each month at the Department of Mental Health (DMH)*. All interested persons call: (323) 684-4390 for additional information and meeting location.

BLACCC, Inc. welcomes your participation and support!

About BLACCC, Inc.

In order to ensure the African American mental health services needs were being met, the Los Angeles County black mental health stakeholders formed the Black Los Angeles County Client Coalition (BLACCC) in 2006 to advocate for mental health service delivery for the underserved/unserved African American population.

Accomplishments

- Annual Community Mental Health Recovery and Wellness Cultural Forums since December 2007
- Advocacy training opportunities for members of BLACCC
- Participation in the African/African American Under-represented Ethnic Population (UREP) committee
- Participation in the Mental Health Housing Trust Fund
- Facilitated attendance for mental health consumers at mental health conferences and trainings
- Participation in DMH-California Reducing Disparities Project (CRDP): African American Focus Group
- Website launched October 2011
- Year Two-Integrated Recovery Network, Department of Labor Consortium Member

Future Plans

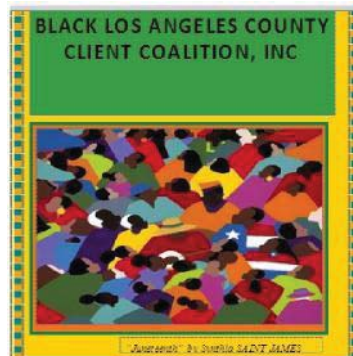
- 8th Annual Community Mental Health Recovery and Wellness Cultural Forum Saturday, February 28, 2015, at the California African American Museum, Exposition Park, Los Angeles
- Conduct outreach and services with special emphasis on homelessness for African Americans
- Implement an effective self-help peer advocacy network which focuses on the needs of the underserved/unserved African Americans
- Continue to reduce stigma and discrimination campaigns by educating the public about mental health and the importance of mental health treatment and services
- The Los Angeles County Black Client Coalition (BLACCC) proposes to implement a client-driven Cross-Sector Collaborative (CSC) to increase service effectiveness in mental health by proactively and systematically promoting interagency/cross-agency collaborations and assisting mental health consumers to resolve issues around access and quality of mental health services to improve client outcomes.

**STAND UP
AND
BE COUNTED!**

**NOTHING
ABOUT
US/
WITHOUT US**

**WE
NEED
YOUR
VOICE**

APPLICATION FOR EXHIBITOR
8th ANNUAL
COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH
WELLNESS CULTURAL FORUM



Juneteenth by Synthia SAINT JAMES

"KEEPING HOPE ALIVE"
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2015

Name of Organization or Individual: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

Contact Person: _____ E-mail: _____

Brief Description of Organization/Individual:

Age Group Served: _____

"Keeping Hope Alive" forum will cover subjects appropriate for parents with children.

TABLES ARE ASSIGNED ON A FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED BASIS
SPACE IS LIMITED – YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED BY EMAIL ONCE YOUR APPLICATION IS ACCEPTED

Each organization/individual will be provided half of an 8 ft. table with two chairs, or a full table with two chairs.

♦♦ A flyer will be forwarded later for your own distribution.

There is no fee for having a table at our forum. However, a monetary donation is appreciated (it's not mandatory) to support the mission of Black Los Angeles County Client Coalition (BLACCC).

For more information about the "Keeping Hope Alive" forum, contact the BLACCC at:

Telephone: (323) 684-4390

E-mail: slapp4390@yahoo.com

Address: Department of Mental Health: 550 S. Vermont Avenue, 5th Floor, Suite 502, Los Angeles, CA 90020

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(Juneteenth) Synthia SAINT JAMES Cover Art/BLACCC's Logo

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

BLACK LOS ANGELES COUNTY CLIENT COALITION, INC. Celebrating Our Past, Present & Future

Dear Community Advocates, Colleagues, and Friends,

Planning is underway for our 8th Annual Community Mental Health Wellness Cultural forum, "Keeping Hope Alive," hosted by the Black Los Angeles County Client Coalition (BLACCC). You are invited to join BLACCC's forum, which will be held on Saturday, February 28, 2015, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm, at the California African American Museum.

This forum is dedicated to the African/African American community, consumers, families and young adults with special needs. The forum will cover Historical – Dialogue such as:

- Our Morning Speaker Session building on the Legacy
- Multi-Cultural and Fosterling Panel Segue Series II
- Developing a plan to effectively change the cultural competence ideas and principles of communication, culture, cultivation and perspectives to eradicate barriers, utilizing collective power to find workable solutions.

We are inviting your organization/agency to join us at our event by being an exhibitor. We expect good attendance since the forum has been a success over the past years and will be publicized again this year.

There is no fee for having a resource table at our forum. However, a monetary donation would be appreciated (anything that fits your budget, but it's not mandatory). We hope you can participate with us in celebrating Black History Month.

Please review our event guidelines and **Fill-out/Scan** the attached form to reserve your space at the "Keeping Hope Alive" forum. Tables are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. Space is limited.

Please feel free to contact me if you would like to discuss the appropriateness of your exhibit.
Thank you!

Best regards,

Osbee Sangster

Black Los Angeles County Client Coalition Organizing Committee

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